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Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School Newsletter

Welcome to our Newsletter. This Newsletter is also available on our School website www.ololbury.com Our website is full of lots of important information so please take a look and learn lots of things about our wonderful School. Please note that paper copies of the Newsletter or anything on our website is available from the School Office.

Dates for the diary

Monday 1st December: Week 1 of 2

Monday 1st December: 8.55am - Year 5 Prayer and Liturgy – *Parents/Carers welcome*. Class charity – Helping Hands

Wednesday 3rd December: Year 4 Creative workshop all day

Thursday 4th December: 1.15pm – Year 6 Brandlesholme Joint Community Christmas Service – *parents/carers welcome*

Friday 5th December: Non uniform day – Collection of items for hampers

Monday 8th December: Week 2 of 2

Monday 8th December: 8.55am - Year 4 Prayer and Liturgy – *Parents/Carers welcome*

Tuesday 9th December: Christingle services – *parents/carers welcome*

8.55am – Class 1, Year 3 and Year 6

9.45am – Class 2, Year 4 and Year 5

Wednesday 10th December: Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity @2.00pm – tickets on sale

Thursday 11th December: Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity @ 9.00am and 2.00pm – tickets on sale

Thursday 11th December: 4.00 – 5.00pm – Choir to sing at Jersey Girls – *everyone welcome*

Friday 12th December: Year 3 and Year 4 to watch 'Shawn the Sheep' at Avila Studios

Monday 15th December: Week 1 of 2

Monday 15th December: 8.55am - Year 6 Prayer and Liturgy – *Parents/Carers welcome*

Monday 15th December: Breakfast with Santa fundraiser - £5 – wear your Christmas PJs if you would like!

Tuesday 16th December: 6.00pm – Federation Advent Service in church – *everyone welcome*

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas Dinner Day – wear your Christmas jumpers and festive clothes!

Friday 19th December: 9.30am - Mass in school

Friday 19th December: 1.30pm School to close

Monday 5th January: School reopens

Message from Mrs Davies

On Monday, our Year 5 children led a beautiful Prayer and Liturgy for the start of the Advent, focusing on the first Advent candle, 'Hope'. Many thanks to our Parents and Carers who joined the children and thank you to the children and staff from Year 5. Next Monday, Year 4 will be leading the Prayer and Liturgy.

Over the next few weeks, we have so many activities and events, please do check the newsletter and your child's Seesaw for updates. All the funds raised during Advent will go towards an outdoor prayer area that the GIFT team and children have asked for. We are hoping to raise enough money to complete this project in the spring. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.



Non uniform Day – Friday 5th December

This Friday is non-uniform day and we are asking for donations of items for the hampers we will be using for the school raffle. The hamper items we would love include: chocolates, biscuits, wine, snacks etc... We would be grateful for any of these items to use in the school fundraiser. Thank you for your continued support.

Christingle Services

Next Tuesday (9th) the children will take part in the Christingle services. In the email sending out this newsletter and on the school website are instructions on how to make a Christingle. Please can the children bring their assembled Christingles into school on Tuesday morning. **Parents and carers are invited to the services**, we look forward to welcoming you for these special celebrations.

The Christingle service for Class 1, Year 3 and Year 6 will be at 8.55am in the school hall.

The Christingle service for Class 2, Year 4 and Year 5 will be at 9.45am in the school hall.

Prayer and Liturgies during Advent

During Advent, as we prepare for Christmas day, we have a number of opportunities for parents and carers to join us in a time of prayer and reflection. We would love to share our journey of Advent with you. Below are the details. All are welcome.

Monday 8th December at 8.55am – Year 4 to lead prayer and liturgy for the second week of Advent.

Tuesday 9th December – Christingle services. Class 1, Year 3 and Year 6 at 8.55am.

Tuesday 9th December – Christingle services. Class 2, Year 4 and Year 5 at 9.45am.

Monday 15th December at 8.55am – Year 6 to lead prayer and liturgy for the third week of Advent.

Tuesday 16th December – Joint Federation Advent Service in church at 6.00pm

Year 6 Brandlesholme Community Advent Service

On Thursday 4th December, our Year 6 children will be joining children from Old Hall and Woodbank PS in our annual Christmas service at All Saints. **Parents and carers are invited to join the children at 1.30pm.**

Christmas Raffle 18th December

As you will be aware, Tahlia in Year 4 has been raising money for a different cause every month this year. This month, Tahlia would like to support school in our fundraising and has managed to secure two amazing turkeys (with thanks to The Village Butchers in Tottington) as raffle prizes! The raffle will be drawn on **Thursday 18th December**. Each family received 5 raffle tickets this week which we hope you can sell amongst your family and friends and there will be lots of opportunities to buy more tickets over the next few weeks if you so wish. **Tickets cost £2 each**. Please return the money and the stubs from one side of sold tickets to school in the envelope provided.

As well as the two turkeys, we will have a number of exciting hampers to give away. **Please do support the raffle this year so we can raise lots of money to give back to our children.**

Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity 10th/11th December

Class 1 and Class 2 are working very hard in preparing for their Christmas Nativity, **Knock, Knock!** Tickets are available at **£2.50 each** and payment will be taken on the door at each performance. Letters have been sent home containing the tickets. All proceeds will be going towards the outdoor prayer area. Thank you for your continued support.



Choir at Jersey Girls

On **Thursday 11th December**, the choir will be performing at Jersey Girls Farm between 4 – 5.00pm. Please go and support the children and join in the singing.

Breakfast with Santa

On **Monday 15th December**, a special guest will be coming to school to have breakfast with the children and to give them a little gift. On this day, Pupil Voice have asked if children can come to school in their Christmas PJs (if they would like to) This event is also part of the school fundraising for an outdoor prayer area. **Tickets will cost £5** for this special day. A payment on School Money will go live next week.

Federation Advent Service

On **Tuesday 16th December**, everyone is welcome to attend the *Federation Advent Service at Guardian Angels' Church at 6.00pm*. The Choir and GIFT Team will be leading the service with Guardian Angels' children. This is Parish event and everyone is welcome.

Christmas Dinner Day

On **Wednesday 17th December**, we are inviting children to wear their *Christmas jumpers/festive clothes* as we have our Christmas dinner together.

Rock Steady Assembly

Last week our children took part in an assembly and workshop led by Rock Steady. The children absolutely loved the experience and it was a fabulous way to start the day. We are looking to introduce lessons with Rock Steady from January 2026. Your child brought home a letter yesterday with the details about the lessons. Below is a summary of what they can offer children.

Rock and pop band lessons with Rocksteady

Did you know, we partner with Rocksteady Music School to deliver fun and inclusive rock and pop band lessons, right here at Our Lady of Lourdes! These weekly music lessons take place in school and are led by professional musicians who make learning music fun.

It's the perfect way for children to learn new musical skills, make friends and have a great time – all at school! Rocksteady lessons are also shown to amplify confidence, wellbeing and social skills.

Here's what else you need to know:

- *There's no experience necessary and all instruments for lessons are provided.*
- *Watch as your child performs in their end of term concerts, showing just how far they have come.*
- *Children learn up to 300 instrument, band, and performance skills, whilst playing songs they love.*
- *Children can achieve an Ofqual-regulated Music qualification, accredited by Trinity College London, without having to take a single exam.*
- *You'll receive regular progress updates, including photos and videos.*

There's a money-back guarantee for the first month and you can cancel at any time. Places are offered on a first come, first served basis.

Sign your child up for band lessons online at rocksteadymusicschool.com/parents

If you have any questions about Rocksteady, call **0330 113 0330** (Mon-Thurs 8am-8pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate) or email info@rocksteadymusicschool.com.



Easyfundraising for OLOL

Previously our PTA had set up an Easyfundraising account for us. We have recently taken this over and are going to continue trying to raise funds for school for all the little extras that enhance the learning and school environment for our children. This means you can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 8,000 retailers will donate to us when you use Easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up and support us. It's completely FREE and only takes a moment. You can find our Easyfundraising page at to sign up :- <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/ourladyoflourdesrcpsbury/1DBKLI/c2s/hV0t4Q7p/CE953/facebook/>

Thank you so much! We have already had some new families signed up since last week

Wednesday Word

If any of our families do not have access to the Wednesday Word leaflet and would like to see a copy and share it with your children please use the link below:-

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>

Follow us on Instagram

School now have an Instagram account. You can follow us using **ololburycps**

Award winners

	Mission Award	Rights Respecting Schools Award	Special Mention Award
Class 1	Logan	Wren	Marshall
Class 2	Novah	Kanoa	Leighton
Year 3	Ali	Gabriela	Poppy
Year 4	Caleb	Charlotte	Noah C
Year 5	Thomas H	William	Ruqaiyyah
Year 6	Kyle	Ali	Millie
Headteachers Award	Stanley (Year 4)		

Attendance

Our Lady of Lourdes RC Primary School firmly believes that **Great Achievement** can only happen if we have **Great Attendance**. Recently attendance has begun to decline... let us aim for 100% attendance! Below you will see this week's attendance figure for each class. Who is this week's winner?

Class 1	95.56%
Class 2	97.62%
Year 3	95.83%
Year 4	92.05%
Year 5	94.21%
Year 6	90.82%